

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant	: Masato Mitsuhashi et al.
App. No	: 10/796,298
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For	: DEVICE AND METHOD FOR HIGH-THROUGHPUT QUANTIFICATION OF MRNA FROM WHOLE BLOOD
Examiner	: LU, FRANK WEI MIN
Art Unit	: 1634
Conf No.	: 9108

**AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING RCE****Mail Stop RCE**

Commissioner for Patents

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Dear Sir:

This communication is response to the Final Office Action mailed September 2, 2009 in connection with the above-captioned application. This response is being accompanied by a Request for Continued Examination (RCE).

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Summary of Interview** begins on page 8 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 10 of this paper.